



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

Mr. James Bopp, Jr., Esquire
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1 South 6th Street
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July 17, 1998

RE: MUR 4766
R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company
Lorillard Tobacco Company

Dear Mr. Bopp:

This is in response to Mr. James R. Mason's letter dated July 16, 1998, which we received on that day, requesting a 15 day extension to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in his letter, the Office of the General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, the response is due by the close of business on August 5, 1998.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alva E. Smith".

Alva E. Smith, Paralegal
Central Enforcement Docket